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INCREASING PLANT IN GRAYLING

DUPONT DE NEMOURS CO. EXPENDING LARGE SUMS.

Will Double Present Capacity of Plant.

The E. I. DuPont de Nemours Co., which operates wood alcohol and acetone plants in Grayling and Bay City has approved plans for increasing the capacity of both plants to practically double their present capacity, and when the changes at Grayling are completed, this plant will be the largest wood chemical plant in the United States, if not in the world.

During the past two years the company has been experimenting, on a small scale, on a new process for the manufacture of wood distillates, the process being the invention of C. T. Clark, the superintendent of the Michigan plants. These experiments have progressed so satisfactorily that it has now been decided to install the new system at Grayling on a commercial basis, and the work of rebuilding here will be started at once. When completed it is expected that with the same size plant and the same number of workmen as at present, twice as much raw material can be handled every 24 hours with an equal increase in the output of finished products.

A large amount of rebuilding is already going on at the local plant and it is planned, after the new process is installed here to change over the Bay City plant to the same system. This will not be done, however, until after the Grayling plant has been operating long enough to prove that it is a success, commercially.

The company is also planning to increase the output of its Grayling plant in other ways by making greater use of the by-products and turning out a greater variety of chemicals than at present.

The rebuilding of the two plants will involve an expenditure of about \$750,000, this sum including the amount spent here and at Bay City in improvements during the past year.

National League and Veteran Sons to Install Officers.

Chas. Wagner Camp No. 33 and Auxiliary No. 10 will hold a joint installation of the N. L. V. S. and L. N. L. at Peter's hall, Friday evening Jan. 26 at 8:00 o'clock.

The following officers recently elected will be duly installed on this evening for the ensuing year:
Pres.—Myrtle Corwin.
1st Vice Pres.—Laura Colleen.
2nd Vice Pres.—Delia Isenbauer.
Chaplain—Loretta McElroy.
Sec'y.—Mae Ketzbeck.
Treas.—Agnes Havens.
Marshall—Mabel Ketzbeck.
Ass't. Marshall—Mildred Corwin.
Sentinel—Minnie Dubeay.
Picket—Edna Brown.

Colonel—Frank Woods.
Lieut. Colonel—Frank Serven.
Major—George A. Colleen.
Chaplain—Wm. C. Smith.
Quartermaster—John Holliday.
Adjutant—A. B. Failing.
Sergt. Major—Efrer Matson.
Sentinel—Leonard Isenbauer.
Picket—George Isenbauer.

Comrade E. B. Metcalf of Saginaw, national quartermaster N. L. V. S. is here to install the officers of Wagner Camp No. 33, and Mrs. E. B. Metcalf, national president of L. N. L. will install ladies of Wagner Camp No. 10.

All members of each Camp, their wives and husbands are requested to be present.

Methodist Episcopal Church Notes.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Morning at 10:30 o'clock.
Evening service at 7:00.
Sunday School is held at 11:45.
Epworth League at 6:00 o'clock Sunday evening.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is preached from the Methodist pulpit. Do you follow Christ? Are you a Christian? Do you love your fellows and serve them? Are you a sinner? If you do, or are, any of these. Put on your hat and meet your brethren at church on Sunday morning at 10:30.
A. Mitchell, Preacher.



SOCIAL EVENTS CLOSE MEETINGS.

Lumber Companies Give Banquet and Party.

For several weeks prior to last week the officers, bookkeepers and their assistants of the several lumber companies have been busy preparing their reports of the business done during the year 1916.

All these had been duly submitted at the annual meetings that were held in Grayling and Johannesburg last week, and as a fitting close these companies—Salling, Hanson company, Kerry & Hanson Flooring company, R. Hanson & Sons, all of this city and the Johannesburg Manufacturing company, of Johannesburg—sent out nearly a hundred invitations to their friends and associates to gather at Shoppenagon's Inn at 7:30 o'clock p. m., Friday, January 19 and enjoy with them a dinner.

About sixty were present and they were seated at two tables each running full length of the dining room. These tables were decorated with large bouquets of pink and white carnations. The hotel management served a most splendidly prepared and deliciously cooked four-course dinner.

Nearly all the guests were in evening attire which, together with the up-to-date appearance of the hotel dining room, gave the dinner a metropolitan air. It was an exceedingly pleasant affair and very fitting for the stockholders and their friends to celebrate the passing of a successful year.

After the dinner the guests repaired to the Social club rooms where the evening was spent in dancing and playing cards.

Among those present from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. Frank and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Michelson, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Hawes, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Sidney Graham, all of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cornwell of Saginaw and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Douglas of Lovells. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burden of Detroit had been present at the business meetings but did not remain for the party Friday night.

FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZATION IS COMPLETE
AND OFFICERS ELECTED.

State Speaker Will Be Present at Meeting, Jan. 27.

A group of Crawford county farmers met at the G. A. R. hall in this city, last Saturday afternoon for the purpose of completing the organization of a Federal Farm Loan association.

The first thing they did was to elect a Board of directors, and the result was as follows: Gilbert Vallad, Maple Forest; Ray Owen, Lovells; Joseph Gavanda, Beaver Creek; W. M. Chalk, Maple Forest, and Albert Lindhal, Beaver Creek.

George F. Owen of Lovells, was elected president; L. B. Merrill of Beaver Creek, vice president, and Allen B. Failing of Grayling, secretary and treasurer.

Edward Feldhauser and Conrad Howse of Maple Forest, and Homer Benedict of Beaver Creek were elected members of the Loan committee.

The next meeting will be held at the same place next Saturday, January 27, at which time there will be present a state speaker. Every farmer of Crawford county is urged to be present, and it is for the interest of all such that they attend and affiliate with this association.

The incentive for this organization is to make it possible for farmers to take advantage of the Federal Farm Loan act. This is a bill to provide capital for agricultural development, to create a standard form of investment based upon farm mortgage, to equalize rates of interest upon farm loans, to furnish a market for United States bonds, to provide for the investments of postal savings deposits, to create government depositaries and financial agents for the United States, and for other purposes.

Get Fertilizers Early.

For the crop of 1917 many carloads of commercial fertilizers will be used in Michigan.

The ordering of these shipments should be early to avoid delays in transit.

An unprecedented condition of railway congestion exists and movements of freight are toward the East or commercial centers. Fertilizers go to the country. Back loading would be generally beneficial, and give assurance of fertilizer when needed. The shortage of labor for car loading will become greater when spring work begins. The fertilizer companies are large employers of labor and they too, like the railways, are short of labor. No additional charges are made for goods shipped before April 1st, the usual contract period. Let each person who expects to use fertilizer advise the agent who sells to make early orders.

James N. McBride,
Michigan Director of Markets.

THREE BANQUETS IN ONE DAY

SHOPPENAGON'S INN IS POPULAR WITH THE PEOPLE.

Shoppenagon's Inn seemed to be headquarters for conventions and banquets Friday last. Representatives of the Standard Oil Company, of Northeastern Michigan, had a day's business session in the hotel parlors and at noon a special banquet in the dining room. Some of the head officials of the DuPont company held an executive session at the Social club rooms and a special banquet at noon. In the evening was the Lumber companies' banquet, a report of which appears elsewhere in this paper.

Among those present to attend the Standard Oil company meeting were H. B. Cochran of Bay City, district manager; and the company's representatives of Bay City, West Branch, Standish, Sterling, Roscommon, Grayling, Gaylord, Vanderbilt, Indian River and Cheboygan, and also E. P. Andrews, their state auditor, Detroit.

The DuPont meeting was attended by Manager C. T. Clark, Bay City; Theodore Baker, chief chemist of Wilmington, Del.; Superintendent A. L. Foster, G. P. Lunt and R. M. Torrey of the Badger company, Boston; G. F. Brendlinger, assistant engineer of Wilmington and Clay Hodgson, local chemist. Their business meeting was to discuss matters relative to the construction work that is now in progress and under consideration.

Grayling and her fine new hotel are being taken favorably for convention meetings, those from out of the city finding here just what they want—easy access by railroads, comfortable hotel accommodations and fine service, and a city that has many of attractions for entertainment and pleasure.

It is quite certain that the Hotel company will greatly enlarge their quarters this year, and then we will be one of the "biggest little cities anywhere on the map. We have no convention hall but we can easily accommodate about 400 people in the Opera house and 600 in the school auditorium, and these will meet the requirements of a majority of conventions.

For sale—My retail coal business. J. M. Bunting.

Frederic School Notes.

More than half of the pupils of the primary room are absent on account of illness.

Erma Brassner will be promoted from the chart class to the first grade next semester.

The sixth grade had their first examination in history. All passed with high marks.

Several pupils who were absent on account of illness have returned to school.

The sixth grade is learning to outline for review work in language.

The pupils of the intermediate room are taking drawing this semester.

The "Model store" has been put up in Miss Cameron's room, and great interest is being shown by the pupils.

Winter sports, with the sleds and skates, were enjoyed by the pupils in the lower rooms.

Frederic Girls and Boys' basketball teams will play the Gaylord High school teams at Gaylord Friday.

The girls defeated Vanderbilt 2 to 17.

Com. Kalahar gave each pupil in the school a sanitary drinking cup.

The Athletic association has bought a new basketball.

Be it resolved: That everyone have high enough marks this next semester to get out of the finals.

The High school will give a play Feb. 16, entitled "The Prairie Rose."

The proceeds will go for Commencement expenses. The cast of characters are as follow:

Silas Wilder, a deaf old ranchman—Harry Reynolds.

Dr. Robt. Raymond, a young Chicago physician—Liland Smock.

Phillip Bryman, a young Chicago lawyer—Herman Wilcox.

Arthur Featherhead, a dude—Arthur Callahan.

Bill Briggs, a Kansas cowboy—Clyne McDermid.

Mose, Phillip Bryman's servant—Glen Cram.

Ralph Wilder, a brother of Lilas—Clare Cameron.

Liza Jane Slocum, Silas' housekeeper—Celia Callahan.

Dorothy Deane, Phillip's sweetheart, later wife—Flora Malco.

Agnes Raymond, Robert's divorced wife—Florence Oliver.

Rose Wilder, a Prairie Rose—Jesse Reynolds.

Of those in the High school, who do not have to take the final examinations in any subjects are: Irma Craven and Roy Brown. There are four who only have to take one examination; twelve who take two examinations; six who take three examinations; sixteen who take four. To anyone who will make a study of the above grades an interesting basis for an opinion as to the quality of work done in the school will be found. Compare this with the results of the examinations which will be published next week.

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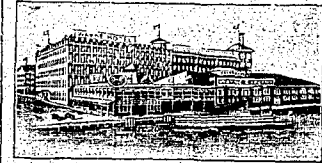
Importance of Salads In Dietetic Value

Salad has an important place in the diet, says Miss Helen Green, instructor in domestic science in the Kansas State Agricultural college.

While salad is not as substantial a dish as some included in the daily menu, there are other things to be considered. Salad set in a nest of lettuce leaves is appetizing. The dietetic value of the minerals in the fruit and vegetables and the oil in the dressing cannot be overestimated.

Some vegetables and fruits which are quite necessary to the diet would not be utilized at all if they were not made into salads. Carrots, for example, prepared in salads in their raw state furnish valuable food elements. Salads furnish bulk, an important item to be considered in preparing menus.

A simple salad is more attractive and has a better dietetic value than an elaborate mixture of expensive foods. A light salad may be served with a heavy dinner as a substitute for a dessert, adding to the dietetic value of the meal as well as reducing its cost.



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J. R. Hayes, Prop. F. H. Hayes, Asst. Mgr.

Regular meeting of the W. R. C. and annual election of officers, Friday Jan. 26th. Meeting called promptly at 2:15. All members requested to be present. Sec'y.

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THE QUARTERBREED

The Story of an Army Officer on an Indian Reservation
By ROBERT AMES BENNET

CHAPTER XVIII—Continued.

Hardy at once addressed Vandervyn: "Be so kind as to open the safe and lay before these commissioners every public paper in the office. They decline to show me their authority for an inspection of my accounts. Therefore I have declined to make an official presentation to them of agency affairs. There is nothing to conceal from any inquirer. You may hand every document to these persons—in my presence."

Vandervyn nonchalantly shrugged, and went over to open the safe. One of the commissioners remarked in an officious tone: "Where is the issue clerk? He ought to be present to explain his accounts."

"That's Charlie Redbear, gentleman—the interpreter," explained Dupont. "He lit out with his sister, down the creek to his house, when we was eating. Want me to send for him? You'll need him to make your official talk to the chiefs."

"You will do as well for that, Jake," interposed Vandervyn. "Besides, I believe the commissioners will wish to put off the powwow until tomorrow. It's a tiresome trip across from the railroad. No doubt they will glance through the agency papers, and then go over to your house to plan the opening of the mineral lands."

The big, blue-eyed man who had ridden in the front seat of the car, nodded and replied in an oily tone: "If you assure us the accounts are correct, Mr. Vandervyn, I think it is needless trouble at this time to make further investigation."

"Still, couldn't we to—" One of the commissioners began a querulous objection. But his fellows were rising to leave the office, and he bent to the will of the majority.

Hardy bowed them out with punctilious courtesy. He was still working when Marie's Indian boy brought word that she wished him to come to dinner without fail. He hesitated, but at last sent back the reply that he would be present.

Having in mind the cold and almost insulting manner of the visitors, he cut his arrival as close as possible. This proved to be a tactful move. Though the newcomers were all mellow with whisky, a chilling silence followed the entrance of the acting agent. Even Dupont turned his thick shoulder and poured himself another drink without a word of greeting.

Only Vandervyn raised his empty glass to the last guest, and called ironically: "Just in time, captain. Here's to your quick progress along the course of your career."

Hardy did not reply. He was bowing to Marie, who had that moment appeared in the dining room doorway. "Dinner is served, gentlemen," she said, and she bowed in her most grand dame manner. "Captain Hardy, you may take me in."

Vandervyn sprang up, angry-eyed. Marie did not seem to perceive him. She stepped in beside Hardy, and waited with perfect composure while the other guests passed out after her father. Vandervyn's face was far from pleasant as he followed the others. The girl did not look at him. Hardy escorted her to the head of the table, and she gave him the seat of honor. The chairman of the commission was graciously assigned to the seat on her left.

Hardy was deeply gratified, but he failed to realize the full meaning of his preference as the most distinguished gentleman present. Vandervyn alone was fully aware of the motives that had prompted Marie to honor his rival. He bent over his plate, his lip neither eat nor talk. For a time he could neither eat nor talk. Then he rallied and, for a while, sat staring into the bubbling amber of his champagne, his lips curved in an odd smile. At last a merry quip from Marie stirred him to action. He rose and bowed to her.

"Lady—and gentlemen," he smilingly remarked, "I have two very pleasant little announcements to make. It is my fond expectation that you will relish them quite as much as you have relished this delicious little dinner."

He looked at Marie, smiled, and continued: "My first announcement relates to our martial fellow-guest, the gallant and distinguished Captain Floyd Hardy. The privilege and pleasure are mine to inform the distinguished officer that the war department has been pleased to relieve him of this irksome detail to grant him permission immediately to join his regiment, which is at Vancouver barracks, Washington, under orders to sail for Alaska."

All eyes turned upon Hardy. Some glinted with malice; others were cold. Marie's alone were sympathetic. Hardy glanced around the table with an unperturbed look, and bowed to Vandervyn.

"Pray accept my acknowledgment of the kindness with which you make the announcement," he said, and he turned to smile gravely into Marie's troubled face. "I could have asked for time to carry out our irrigation plans. But, doubtless, the bureau will find some one more competent than myself."

"Will you not remonstrate against this unjust order?" she exclaimed. "You forget that I am a soldier," he replied. "Army life is a life of service. You will now understand why most army women are army girls before they are army wives."

"Ah—but if a woman loves!" murmured Marie, and her gaze sank with the drooping of her silken lids. "Alaska must be a magnificent land to visit."

Vandervyn was bending to send him. He straightened as if struck.

The suddenness of the movement drew all eyes back to him. His wine-flushed face had gone white. He met the wondering look of the man opposite, and forced a smile.

"I have still another announcement to make," he said, "one that you will all admit to be still more pleasant than the delightful news of our gallant friend's summons to wider fields of service. Gentlemen—and lady—permit me to remind you that all the world loves a lover. This being true, it follows that all the world must doubly love a pair of lovers. It is my privilege and delight to be able to announce that, as I am not at present free to engage myself, the other member of the pair, our charming hostess, has graciously given her promise to wait for me."

He caught up his champagne glass, which the Indian boy had just refilled. "Gentlemen, here's to the loveliest girl in the world, the lady who has given me her true promise!"

The commissioners rose—Dupont rose. Hardy sat as if stunned, his eyes fixed upon Marie's face in a strained, half-incredulous stare. She was very pale. She seemed to shrink. Yet she made no attempt to deny Vandervyn's statements. Hardy stood up with the other men and, for the first time that evening, he emptied his champagne glass.

"Youth to youth!" he murmured. Meeting Vandervyn's exultant smile, he drew in a deep breath, and his voice rang clear and steady: "You are to be congratulated, sir. I wish you the greatest good fortune that you may in all things prove worthy of the lady's trust."

Vandervyn's flushed face crimsoned, but whether with shame or anger could not be told. Marie had risen, and her tactfulness diverted attention from the rivals.

"The coffee and cigars will be served in the parlor," she announced.

Vandervyn somewhat hastily led the way to the other room. Hardy, being the farthest away, followed behind the others. When he came to the door he coolly closed and bolted it.

"Captain!" breathlessly exclaimed Marie. "What will they think?"

"Most of them are beyond thinking, and they have the whisky bottle," he replied. He faced about, and came back to her.

She shrank before the look in his eyes. "You—You have no right!" she murmured. "I will go."

"Not until you have heard me. There may be no other opportunity for me to see you alone before I go away," he said. "I do not wish to reproach you. Yet you must realize that your failure to tell me of your promise to him led me to believe I had a fighting chance."

"You do not—ask me to explain," she faltered.

"What is there to explain?" he rejoined. "You knew that I trusted your sincerity utterly, and you were willing to amuse yourself with me while he was away."

"I—You have no right," she sought to defend herself. "I never led you to believe—"

"You told me nothing of that promise to him. I thought you—what you knew I thought you; and all these weeks, every day—How can a woman look so beautiful—seem so true and loving in every word and act—and toy with the deepest feelings of a man as you have amused yourself with mine? No, do not attempt to deny the facts, please. It will only add to the bitterness. I am trying to keep from saying harsher things. I cannot hide the fact that you have struck me a severe blow. It would be easier if you had not insisted upon my coming here tonight to be made the butt of his mockery."

Marie threw up her head, her eyes blazing with indignant scorn. "You can believe that of me? I thought you a gentleman!" Her voice hardened. "You have been served as you deserve. And now I am glad!"

He turned about and went out through the parlor. The other men were clinking glasses in jolly good-fellowship. Dupont waveringly offered him the whisky bottle. He thrust it back and left the house.

"I'm the New Agent."

Rather early the next morning the big, red-faced, blue-eyed man came alone to the office. He found Hardy making out a final report as acting agent.

"Getting ready to turn over?" he asked.

"Yes," Hardy replied.

"You poor young innocent!" Hardy's sharp gaze softened with pity. "Custom is not blinding on a white man."

"I am prepared to do so the moment the new agent arrives and has checked the lists of agency property," was Hardy's curt reply.

"All right. I'll O. K. your report. Don't need to check the lists of an officer and gentleman," the man purred in his oldest tone. He handed over a packet. "Here are the papers relieving you, and my appointment. I'm the new agent. I held them back to give young Vandervyn the chance to spring his pleasant little surprise on you."

"Very considerate," said Hardy. He opened and read the official document with care, pocketed his own, and handed the other back to the new agent. "Very good. Now, if you will examine the accounts of the chief clerk and the issue clerk. I have brought them down to date, together with my report."

The new agent glanced at the papers and took up a pen. "You've certified their correctness. That's enough for me. I'll give you my O. K. of the turn-over."

"You would oblige me by checking the property in the warehouse?"

"Waste of time, captain. You'll want to be starting for the railroad. We made a night of it. Commissioners' heads are sore this morning. They want to get to work, and this is the best place. I can loan you my touring-car to take you over to the railroad."

"Thank you. I prefer to ride my mare," said Hardy. "I shall ask you, however, to send one of the police with my trunk in Dupont's backroom."

"I'll send it in the motor. There's a lot more of our own baggage to be brought out from the railroad," insisted the new agent.

He received Hardy's papers, and went to hunt up the chauffeur of the second car. Hardy took his private papers and the reports that he wished to mail, and went over to his quarters to pack his baggage. Dupont sent a policeman to fetch Hardy's mare and came in to offer his big hand.

"Hope you ain't going off with no hard feelings, Cap," he said.

Hardy gravely shook hands with him. "None, this morning," he assured.

"A man cannot afford to cherish enmity. I shall ask you to go with me to the tepee of the head chief."

Dupont hesitated, and ended by complying with the request. They found old Ti-owa-konza seated in his tepee, waiting for the white chiefs to call a council. When, with Dupont's aid, Hardy explained that he must go away, the noble old chief's stolidity fell from him like a mask, and he rose to cry out in impassioned speech against the departure of the tribe's true friend. Hardy could only express his deep regret, and repeat that he had to obey the orders of his own head chief. When he had explained the report on irrigation that he was mailing to the Indian bureau, he exchanged trifling gifts of friendship with the chief and tore himself away.

The policeman was waiting with the mare. Hardy gave him a coin and swung into the saddle.

"One last word, Dupont," he said. "Kindly tell your daughter what I said about not cherishing enmity."

"How about Mr. Van?" questioned Dupont.

"You need say nothing to him from me. But—" Hardy bent over in the saddle to bring his stern face near the trader's—"I advise you to watch that young man."

Dupont stood for some time staring after the officer. When he started for his store, before which a crowd of Indians were waiting, his shrewd eyes were narrow with calculation, and his stubby forefinger was rubbing the grizzled hair under the brim of his hat.

Hardy permitted the mare to choose her own pace.

As he neared the foot of the valley, he saw Redbear and Olina riding up the creek from the road crossing. The girl dropped in her saddle as if ill. A nearer view confirmed his suspicions. Redbear was intoxicated, and he was abusing his sister in the foulest of language. When Hardy approached, the girl averted her shame-redened face, and dropped still lower over her pony's withers. Redbear leered insolently at the intruder and burst into a drunken laugh. Though his body was reeling, he had almost perfect control of his tongue—

"Look at him, Weena; there—Here followed a number of obscene epithets. "That man of yours lost no time. The tin soldier is on the run. Told you we had fixed him."

"You drunken dog!" said Hardy. "Keep quiet and go home."

"Who's going to make me?" challenged the halfbreed, his bloodshot eyes flaring with vicious anger. "I don't take any more orders from you. You'd try to put the killing of Nogen on me—try to make out it was me shot him, and tried to shoot you those two times! But Van fixed you. He promised to keep you from putting me in jail. That's why I let him have Weena when we went into the mountains."

"You cur!" cried Hardy. "So you permitted him?"

Olina threw up her head with the courage of outraged innocence. "Why should he stop him from talking me?" she shrieked. "I am only a breed girl, but my man loves me, me only! I had a right to be his wife if I wanted to."

"His wife?" incredulously exclaimed Hardy. "A man of his stamp never could have married you."

"He did! He did!" insisted Olina. "I thought you too kind to think I would be a bad girl. He married me by tribal custom and the common-law way of white people."

Hardy's sharp gaze softened with pity. "You poor young innocent! Tribal custom is not blinding on a white man."

"But common-law marriage!" triumphantly rejoined the girl in the face of her unquenchable love. "He said white people often get married that way."

Hardy burst out between pity and indignation: "The scoundrel!—You poor child! Common-law marriage is only half-marriage at best. To make it even that much of a tie, it is necessary that a man and woman should live together as husband and wife openly. He kept this matter secret; he persuaded you—and your brother to tell no one—the scoundrel!"

Stricken with grief and shame, Olina uttered a moan and crouched down over her pony's withers, with her face in her hands. But the drink-crazed brain of Redbear comprehended only that Hardy was beating his sister's husband. He made an effort to straighten in the saddle, and his right hand fumbled eagerly for the hilt of his revolver. Hardy averted his mare alongside and reached out. Redbear slumped from his saddle like a sack of grain.

Olina slipped down to run to her brother. But Hardy was quicker. He threw himself on the half-dazed drunkard. A skillful wrench loosened the stubborn clutch of the other's fingers on the gun. Disarmed and perhaps partly sobered by the shock, Redbear stretched out on the dusty sod.

"Oh, he is hurt!" gasped Olina.

Hardy rolled the drunkard away from her and spoke sternly: "He is not hurt. Redbear, stand up!"

Redbear gathered himself together and, aided by Olina, staggered to his feet. The ponies had nattered away. Hardy led his mare around beside Redbear, and he and Olina, between them, managed to lift the almost helpless man into the saddle. While they were going the half-mile to the cabin, Hardy led the mare, and Olina walked beside her brother to steady him in his seat. Neither saw the rider who rode up out of the creek bed beyond the cabin and wheeled from view behind the end wall.

When they reached the house, Hardy helped Redbear dismount before the door and handed him his unloaded revolver. He then lifted his hat to Olina with utmost respectfulness.

"Miss Redbear," he said, "you have been wronged in a most despicable manner. He has lied to you. You must keep away from him. Go back into the mountains with your grandfather. I believe the rascal will soon leave the reservation, and then you will be free from him."

"Thanks for the prophecy, captain," came a jeer from the end of the cabin. They stared about, and saw Vandervyn standing at the corner, his face set in a cynical smile.

"So you've quit soldiering and taken to preaching," he sneered.

"O-o-oh!" sighed Olina, and she crept toward the mocker, her hands imploringly outstretched. Her soft eyes brimming over with tears of pitiful entreaty. "Tell him—tell him it isn't true! Tell him our marriage is a real marriage!"

"What a fuss over a little thing like that!" he rallied.

The girl cringed back, and sank down, in silent anguish to hide her face.

"For shame, sir!" cried Hardy. "Have you no shred of decency?"

Vandervyn laughed. Redbear started staggering toward him, the empty revolver concealed behind his back with drunken cunning.

"You think it's funny," he muttered. "Funny joke! You own up that marriage with her wasn't real like you said it was."

"What if it wasn't?" bantered Vandervyn. "It was good enough for a halfbreed squaw." He smiled at Hardy. "Yes, good enough for any halfbreed or—quarterbreed. I'll have Marie next."

Hardy tensed, yet instantly checked the wrath that would have impelled him to hurl himself at the throat of the mocker. Redbear lacked such iron self-mastery, and liquor had numbed his sense of subservience to Vandervyn. At Marie's name his fury burst out.

"You liar! You thief!" he yelled. "She's mine! You promised! I'll show you, you—!" Cursing wildly, he flourished his revolver, and brought it down in a wavering attempt to take aim.

"Stop! Stop!" Hardy cried to Vandervyn. "It's not loaded! Stop!"

But Vandervyn had already whipped out his revolver. From the muzzle leaped a sheet of flame. Redbear flung up his arms and pitched backward. Swiftly Vandervyn recocked his revolver and aimed it at Hardy.

"Put up your hands! Keep them away from your coat!" he shouted in fierce menace.

Hardy did not put up his hands. He bent down to feel the heart of the halfbreed. Shrieking with horror, Olina fell fainting across the body of her brother. Hardy looked up, grim and quiet.

"I hope you are satisfied," he said. "You have killed him."

Vandervyn kept his revolver pointed at Hardy.

"I shot in self-defense," he snarled. "Don't you make a move. He had his gun on me."

"It was empty. I called to you. You didn't—not till I had fired. I shot him down to save my life. I'll shoot you, too, if you try to draw."

"Get out of here!" ordered Hardy, heedless of the threat. "You've caused trouble enough. Send the new agent. You can tell him that I admit you seem to have been justified."

Vandervyn's menacing attitude relaxed. He half lowered his revolver, but kept a wary watch on Hardy as

he backed away around the corner of the cabin, and ran to jump on his pony and gallop away. Hardy had sprung up. But it was only to hasten into the house for water. He came out with a half-filled bucket, drew Olina over on her back, and dashed water into her face. She opened her eyes, saw him, and, reddening with shame, turned her face aside. It happened to be toward her brother. Suddenly she drew herself up on her elbow to bend over the gray face.

"He is not—dead!" she gasped.

Redbear's lips were moving. Hardy knelt to lift him up to a half-sitting position. He knew by grim experience that with such a wound there was no hope, but he also knew that it would ease the agony to raise the injured man. Olina dampened her brother's forehead. He muttered a curse.

"Not that, boy," warned Hardy. "You have only a few minutes."

Redbear seemingly did not hear him. He repeated the curse: "The—I—I'd 'n' got him—way I got Nogen—if you hadn't unloaded—my gun."

"You shot Nogen?" queried Hardy. "Speak out! You say you shot Nogen?"

"He—wanted her—Marie—same way as Van—same way as—Van said

you—wanted her. We—I—tried to get you—twice—because he, Van, told me you wanted Marie—that way. The liar—the—Ah—rh—rh!"

From between the lips that had parted to utter the curse there gushed a scarlet stream.

Hardy laid the body on the ground and drew the distracted girl away by main force.

"Come into the house," he ordered. "You must not look at him."

She offered only passive resistance. When he had put her in a chair, she sat motionless, as if dazed, her dry eyes fixed on vacancy.

"This won't do," he said. "You must go to your grandfather. I cannot take you with me, and besides—"

He checked himself, caught up a blanket, and went outdoors. When presently he returned, she had not moved. He fastened her scant wardrobe and few trinkets in a blanket roll, and led her out around the house, carefully hiding himself between her and the blanket-covered form on the ground near the door. He had brought her own and her brother's ponies to the back of the house. He lashed the bundle on the dead man's saddle, lifted the girl upon her pony, and mounted his mare.

Half-way to the agency they met Ti-owa-konza coming down with several members of his family to visit his half-breed grandchildren. Urged by Hardy, the girl broke her distraught silence to tell the old chief what had happened. Before she had finished she was weeping in the arms of her grandfather.

Notwithstanding the delay, Hardy again permitted the mare to choose her own pace. Though she went at a steady trot, a messenger in the remaining automobile easily could have overtaken him at any time before dark. But no messenger was sent.

Mid-afternoon Hardy met the car that had taken his baggage to town. It was piled high with the baggage of the new agent and the commissioners. The chauffeur, with the indifference of a city man, whirled past him without so much as slackening speed.

CHAPTER XX.

The Registration.

At noon the following day the commissioners came out to the butte, and announced the conditions of the land opening. All entrants were to start from the coulee at a given signal, to be made at ten o'clock in the morning of the second day following. Any person who started before the signal would be disqualified.

A tent was set up for the commissioners in the coulee bottom, on the reservation side of the dwindled stream, and the chairman and secretary proceeded to take the signatures, thumb prints and descriptions of the waiting colony of prospectors and cowboys.

Since Hardy and Marie had first come upon the camp, the number of men had twice doubled. Yet, owing to the obscure manner in which the proposed opening had been advertised, there were absolutely few of them, all told, compared to the multitude at other governmental land openings. Perhaps with a view toward covering this discrepancy, the commissioners had ordered full descriptions of every contestant, and so managed to cover many sheets of paper and to consume much time.

The recording was well under way

when Vandervyn and Dupont came down to the camp. Neither made any attempt to push into the line of entrants. But Dupont read the posted notice of the conditions of the contest, frowned, and remarked to Vandervyn that he wished to show him something over at the butte. The young man looked bored, yet borrowed a pony, and rode across with him to the deserted camp.

"What is it?" he asked. "Have you found a mare's nest that is hatching out a horse good enough to outrun triplets?"

Dupont shook his head. "Don't you let nobody hear that joke around here, Mr. Van. Them there prospectors and punchers all lug guns, and they ain't the kind to stand for no funny business."

"They'll have to stand for it, if they don't understand it," punned Vandervyn. "In this game three of a kind beat all the jacks in the pack."

"You best keep your head shut, just the same. Them punchers 'll ride the hardest, and they're mighty sharp to see the difference between horses."

"I told you I shall rush them off their feet. They'll think me a fool, and drop behind, to overhaul me later. Now, if that's all you have to tell me—"

He wheeled his borrowed pony to ride back.

"Hold on!" replied Dupont, frowning uneasily. "I want to talk over fixing up about the way we share the mine."

Vandervyn lifted his eyebrows. "Aren't you satisfied? Now that Redbear is out of the way, there will be none to question our sharing of the mine between us."

"It's between us, all right," sullenly replied Dupont. "Tain't in writing, though. According to them conditions, if I don't register today, I don't get no right to enter no claim. What's to keep you from turning round and telling me to whistle for my half, soon's you get title to the mine?"

"Why, Jake?" exclaimed Vandervyn in an aggrieved tone. "How can you think I could throw you down that way? Even if we weren't friends, you know I want Marie."

Dupont's eyes narrowed, and his jaw set obstinately. "That's all right; but them that want to remain friends want to remember that business is business."

Vandervyn frowned, considered the matter a few moments, smiled, and drew a folded paper from an inner pocket.

"Very well. I expected to wait until I reached the mine. But since you insist, here it is—my deed to you of a full half-interest. You've been hinting and looking so confounded uneasy ever since the accident to Redbear, that I thought I'd be ready for you."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

ARE MARVELS OF INGENUITY
Observations in the Garden Reveal Really Remarkable Work Done by Small Creatures.

There is no better place than a garden to study insects. The dark-colored beetle—the oil-beetle—may be observed, and as soon as the bees come the larva of this beetle contrives to get upon a bee's body, so as to be carried away to the bee's home, where it feeds upon the food there, and eventually leaves as a perfect beetle.

Other kinds of beetles act as grave-diggers; certain ants keep a diary; and there are masons, carpenters, and upholsterers among the bees. The mason-bee constructs its cell of mortar. By dropping saliva on bits of earth and mixing both together it pounds the mixture into a sort of cement. It works this into the shape of a mold, inside which the female deposits her egg. Several such mortar cells may often be found lying close together.

The carpenter-bee makes its house on decayed wood, and lines it with pieces of leaves, which it cuts off in the form of a circle, and adjusts so skillfully that its nest is made water-tight without any coating. A very ingeniously-constructed home is also that of the upholsterer-bee, which dexterously cuts out the petals of the half-expanded flowers of a poppy. It then strengthens the folds, and fits them so that a splendid tapestry overhangs the walls of its home in which the honey is deposited.

Error Mars Great Picture.
In the rotunda of the capitol at Washington there are eight great paintings, carefully designed and executed by the artists for the adornment of the nation's greatest building. Yet five of them are either defective in technique, or in error as to natural or historical facts.

One of the best-known pictures is that in which Washington is shown resigning his commission to the continental congress, says the Philadelphia Record. There are two girls, almost life-size, standing in the foreground. They are very pretty girls; but one of them has three hands. One left hand rests on the shoulder of her companion, another left hand is round her companion's waist. Doubtless the artist, Trumbull, painted both hands to see which pose he preferred, and then forgot to paint out the superfluous hand.

Pawpaw's Many Uses.
The principal use of the pawpaw, says a writer in the Journal of Heredity, is to eat from the hand, but there are other uses that it can be put to. It makes splendid custard pie. There is no finer dessert than pawpaw eaten with cream and sugar. It is used to make beer the same as the persimmon by putting the fruit in a jar, mashing it and putting water on it and letting it stand until fermented. It also answers to make pudding just the same as persimmon pudding is made. It is also said that brandy equal to peach brandy is made of pawpaws. Marmalade which is equal to that of peaches may be made of pawpaw. The custard may be spread on a board and dried like pumpkin leather.

Wasted Apology.
"I want to apologize, Blakely, for my rudeness last evening. I assure you I didn't intend it." "Well, for the love of Mike, men! Next time! I hate to see a man's actions and his intentions harmonize so poorly."—Judge.

CLIMBED STAIRS ON HER HANDS

Too Ill to Walk Upright. Operation Advised. Saved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

This woman now raises chickens and does manual labor. Read her story: "For two years I was so sick and weak with troubles when going up stairs I had to go very slowly with my hands on the steps, then I could not get to the top to rest. The doctor said he thought I should have an operation, and my friends thought I would not live to move into our new house. My daughter asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as she had taken it with good results. I did so, my weakness disappeared, I gained in strength, moved into our new home, did all kinds of garden work, shoveled dirt, did building and cement work, and raised hundreds of chickens and ducks. I cannot say enough

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Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 25.

Fred Alexander returned home from
Saginaw Saturday.

Let Hathaway put that watch in
shape so it will keep time.

T. Hanson attended a lumbermen's
convention in Detroit this week.

If both sides will just quit fighting
and go home we will have peace.

A. M. Lewis and Harry Pond are
attending the Auto show at Detroit.

Mrs. Levi Abbott, who has been at
Mercy hospital for several weeks, is
improving slowly.

Mrs. C. C. Cunnalia of Roscommon
was in the city Tuesday calling on
friends, and on business.

Glen Penard and D. Fresch of the
Walter Cowell barber shop spent Sun-
day with friends in Saginaw.

Rev. and Mrs. Kjøtheg returned
Monday from Manistee, where they
spent a few days visiting friends.

The Danish Brotherhood society
will give their annual dancing party
at the People theatre next Saturday
evening.

Mrs. Emil Hanson and daughter,
Elizabeth of Detroit arrived Friday
night for a few days' visit with rela-
tives and friends.

Miss Agnes Frary left Monday af-
ternoon for her home in Gaylord, af-
ter a couple of month's stay here. For
the past couple of weeks she has been
visiting her aunt, Mrs. Grant Shaw.

FOR SALE

My Coal Business

Well Established

On account of my not
having time to look after
this business properly, to-
gether with my telephone
work, must sell out. Good
opportunity for the right
man.

See me quick for Terms
and Particulars.

J. M. Bunting

Phone 713

Did You Get Yours

Did you get your share of that
full cream cheese we cut Saturday?
Something about our cheese that
discriminating people like. Tele-
phone us and we will cut a piece
and send it to you and if you don't
say it's the BEST CHEESE YOU
EVER ATE we will refund gladly.

M. SIMPSON EST.

The Sanitary Store

Dr. Charles A. Canfield visited his
mother and also took in the Auto show
in Detroit first of the week.

Charles T. Jerome visited his son
Ben J. Jerome in Detroit over Sunday
and this week took in the Auto show.

Life would be more pleasant these
long winter evenings if you had a
pair of Hathaway's glasses to aid you.

You can get four standard maga-
zines one year for 25 cents extra by
renewing your subscription to the
Avalanche.

Miss Nellie Shanahan left the latter
part of last week for Detroit to spend
a couple of weeks visiting relatives
and friends.

Selwyn Dexter of Hart, Michigan,
arrived Tuesday for his annual visit
with his sisters, Mrs. P. D. Borchers
and Mrs. J. L. McPeak and families.

Regular meeting of the W. R. C.
and annual election of officers, Friday
Jan. 25th. Meeting called promptly
at 2:15. All members requested to be
present.

Roadmaster J. E. Crowley left Sat-
urday night for Detroit to attend a
special meeting of the Michigan Cen-
tral Roadmasters. He returned here
Tuesday.

Robert Ziebell is able to be up and
around again after a severe attack of
pneumonia. It will be a few weeks
before he will be able to resume his
work at T-Town.

Miss Matilda Hendrikson, who was
formerly employed in the local tele-
phone office, has accepted a similar
position at Oaaway, and left the latter
part of last week to take charge of her
duties.

The Keuhn Concert company filled
their entertainment course number
here Friday night. It is the general
opinion that it was one of the best at-
tractions that have ever appeared in
Grayling.

There will be a Masonic school of
instruction held here Monday Febru-
ary 12, under direction of M. W. Grand
Lecturer P. F. Gilbert. West Branch,
Roscommon and Lewiston lodges are
ordered to attend same.

Don't miss hearing Lottie L. Tillot-
son, the Hawaiian entertainer at the
Methodist church this evening. She
will give one of her elocutionary and
lecture entertainments, telling the
customs and habits of the people of
the countries she has traveled. Ad-
mission 25 cents.

The members of the Loyal Order of
Moose have given their wives and lady
friends the privilege of using their
club rooms a half day each week for
social meetings. The first gathering
is being held this afternoon from two
until five o'clock. Invitations were
issued the first of the week for the
meetings.

Thomas Cassidy entered Mercy
hospital last Thursday and Friday
morning underwent a very serious op-
eration. He is getting along as well
as can be expected at present. Mr.
Cassidy is the proprietor of the Model
bakery and grocery and his business
associates and friends wish for him a
quick recovery.

Joseph Charron, of Maple Forest
township, returned home Monday from
the west where he and one of his sons
had spent the past 15 months. While
away they visited the states of Colo-
rado, Idaho, Nebraska, Missouri, Kan-
sas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Iowa.
Mr. Charron says that there is no
place like home and that he is glad to
get back. His son remained in the
west for his health.

A number of the Oddfellows, their
wives, and several of the younger
people spent a very pleasant evening
at the Temple theatre, Friday, the
Oddfellows, giving a dancing and
card party. Everybody had a very
good time and at 10:30 o'clock light
refreshments were much enjoyed.
Music was furnished by Clark's or-
chestra. This is one of a series of
parties, that is being given by this
lodge, this season.

The third annual K. of P. ball that
is to occur Wednesday evening, Feb.
7, promises to surpass even the ele-
gant party they gave last year. Ex-
penses are being cut down on the non-
essentials but the executive com-
mittee say the party itself is going to
equal or surpass anything that has
even been attempted in Grayling.
Russo's eight-piece orchestra of Saginaw
has been engaged to furnish the
music. This organization is consid-
ered one of the best dance orchestras
in Michigan. C. C. Fink is chairman
of the refreshment committee which
is a guarantee that the service will be
first class. Grayling company No. 27,
Uniform Rank will give a fifteen min-
ute exhibition immediately before the
first dance. Over 500 invitations have
been issued. The party will be held
at the beautiful school gymnasium,
which has a clear floor space of 66x80
feet.

Additional local news on other
pages.

School Officers' Meeting.

A meeting of the school officers of
the school districts of Crawford county
will be held at the Court house in
Grayling on Thursday, February 1st,
1917, commencing at 9 o'clock, a. m.

One member of each district board
is entitled to two dollars and actual
traveling expenses for attending this
meeting, to be paid from the general
fund of the district.

This meeting will be in charge of
Geo. N. Otwell, assistant superintendent
of Public Instruction, who will
explain and discuss important phases
of the school law. Come prepared to
ask questions of interest to your dis-
trict.

See that your district is represented
by the director or some other member
of the district board. 1w

Jas. A. Kalahar,
Commissioner of Schools.

AMIDON-AMSTUTZ WEDDING.

(From Petoskey Evening News.)

"Miss Olive K. Amstutz, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. John Amstutz, of this
city, and Ray E. Amidon, of Flint,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Amidon of
Grayling, were united at 3:30 o'clock
Tuesday afternoon, January 16, at the
Presbyterian manse by Rev. P. B.
Ferris.

"They were accompanied by a num-
ber of relatives and close friends.
The bride wore a dark blue travelling
suit, a white picture hat and carried a
bouquet of white roses.

"Following the ceremony the com-
pany went to the Amstutz home, 618
Howard street, where at 7:00 o'clock a
wedding dinner was served. Mr. and
Mrs. Amidon left for Grayling Tues-
day night and after a short visit there
will go to Flint where they will reside.

"Among those from out of the city
were the groom's parents, who came
Tuesday afternoon and returned home
Wednesday. The bride was one of
the popular young women of this city.

She was at one time a member of the
sales force at the Fochtman Depart-
ment store, later was cashier at her
father's store and recently had been
studying nursing at the Petoskey Hos-
pital Training school for nurses. The
groom was at the W. Z. Searle jewel-
ry store for two years and is at present
at the Lee Brown jewelry store in
Flint."

The young couple left on the even-
ing train for Grayling, and the first of
their journey was marked with the
discomfort of the train being stuck in
the snow banks, requiring eight hours
to run from Petoskey to Mackinaw
City. They managed to reach here
the following afternoon.

After spending a day with the
groom's parents in Grayling they left
for their new home in Flint. Mr. Am-
idon has lived in Grayling the greater
part of his life. Everybody here
knows him and he stands high in the
esteem of all. He is a jeweler and en-
graver and has held many responsible
positions. Mr. and Mrs. Amidon have
the best wishes of their many Gray-
ling friends.

Frederick Adrian Hennessy.

Suffering during the past two years
from Arterio Sclerosis, Frederick Ad-
rian Hennessy, a resident of the village
of Hardgrove, Crawford County, Mich-
igan, died Friday evening, January
20th, 11 p. m., at the home of his
daughter, Mrs. Wm. Hubter, follow-
ing a severe attack of la grippe.

Born in Limerick castle, Ireland,
June 4th, 1841. The deceased was the
second son of Captain Patrick Hennessy,
of the twentieth regiment
of infantry, British army, and is sur-
vived by his wife, Mrs. F. A. Hennessy,
five sons and two daughters and
one brother and two sisters.

Your Last Chance.

Recently we published in these col-
umns an offer of The Youth's Com-
panion and McCall's Magazine, both
for a full year, for only \$2.10, includ-
ing a McCall dress pattern. The high
price of paper and ink has obliged
McCall's Magazine to raise their sub-
scription price February 1 to 10 cents
a copy and 75 cents a year—so that
the offer at the above price must be
withdrawn.

Until March 31 our readers have the
privilege of ordering both publica-
tions for a full year, including the
choice of any 15 cent McCall dress
pattern, for only \$2.10.

The amount of reading, information
and entertainment contained in the
fifty-two issues of The Youth's Com-
panion and the value of twelve month-
ly fashion numbers of McCall's at
\$2.10 offer a real bargain to every
reader of this paper.

This two-at-one-price offer includes:

1. The Youth's Companion—52 is-
sues.
2. The Companion Home Calendar
for 1917.
3. McCall's Magazine—12 fashion
numbers.
4. One 15-cent McCall dress pattern
—your choice from your first copy of
McCall's—if you send a two-cent stamp
with your selection.

The Youth's Companion,
18-4
St. Paul St., Boston, Mass.

Don't Neglect The Kidneys.

Do you take a kidney tablet once in
a while, the same as you do a cathar-
tic? If you don't, you should, because
the kidneys are blood filterers and
need cleaning themselves the same as
your bowels. Dr. Navaun's Kidney
Tablets are for this purpose and are
for sale at Mr. Lewis' store. Samples
will be sent on request by the Botanic
Drug Co., Detroit, Mich.

Automobile Owners

Take Notice

Now is the time to get
your automobiles painted if
they need painting or clean-
ed and polished to make
them look neat and like
new.

Prices on painting cars of
all makes cheerfully given,
according to what you want
done in the way of painting,
etc. Don't wait until too
late in the spring.

Conrad Sorenson

Painter and Decorator

TO BUILD SHIPS AT COST PRICE

Bethlehem Steel Will Make Of-
fer to Uncle Sam.

BIDS ON 16 INCH NAVY SHELLS

No Chance For Profit In Them Under
Present Tests, Grace Says—Possible
Explanation of the Prices Made by an
English Firm Which Bids Under All
American Manufacturers.

Speaking recently before the Terra-
pin Club of Philadelphia, Eugene G.
Grace, President of the Bethlehem
Steel Company, said in part:

In a peculiar sense Bethlehem Steel
serves the American people.
For example, though we have been
able to obtain in Europe almost any
price, we have adhered, in our charges
to the United States Government, to
the basis of prices established before
the war began.

We agreed—if the Government would
abandon its plans for a Federal plant—
to make armor for our Navy at any
price the Government itself might con-
sider fair.

Our ordnance plants are at the dis-
posal of the nation at a fair operating
cost, plus a small margin, thus saving
the Government investment and de-
preciation.

One of the special needs of the new
navy is sixteen-inch guns—guns sixty
feet long and capable of hurling a
2000 pound shell with such power and
accuracy as to hit a 50 foot square tar-
get fifteen miles away.

We have undertaken voluntarily to
construct, at a cost of \$4,600,000, a
plant fitted to build sixteen-inch guns.
Under no conceivable circumstances
can orders which we may receive for
this plant pay even a fair return on
the investment.

Considerable comment has been made
upon the fact that a British manu-
facturer recently bid less than American
manufacturers for sixteen and four-
teen-inch shells for the navy.
I am unable to state the basis upon
which the English bid was made. It
should be remembered, however, that
this bid was for a specific shell, sam-
ples of which are being sent over for
test—a test not yet made.

Two years ago we took an order for
2400 fourteen-inch armor-piercing shells
at a contract price of \$708,000, to be
delivered within a certain time or we
had to pay a large penalty.

The only specifications for making
these shells are that they shall be
of a certain size and must pierce
armor-plate at a certain velocity on im-
pact. It is impossible to foretell the
exact conditions of the tests.

We had made large quantities of shells
in the past which had been accepted.
But in placing this particular order the
Department altered the angle at which
the tested shells must pierce armor-
plate. The result, however, has been
absolute inability on our part to pro-
duce in any quantity, shells which will
meet these novel tests. In fact, we
know of no process of projectile-making
through which it is possible to pro-
duce in quantities shells which will
conform to the requirements.

The result is that up to now on that
contract of \$708,000, we have put into
actual operating expense \$447,881, and
have been penalized for non-delivery
\$495,744, a total of \$943,625, with no
receipts whatever.

Such was the experience in the light
of which we were called upon recent-
ly to bid for sixteen-inch shells.

We bid on these shells at approxi-
mately the same rate per pound as
that of a fourteen-inch shell contract
of one year ago upon which the Gov-
ernment awarded contracts.

We have not the slightest idea what
profit there will be in the making of
these shells. We do not know that
there will be any. There is no certainty
that it would be possible for us to
deliver a shell to meet the test.

For officers in the Navy to assume
that any bid made under such condi-
tions is "exorbitant" is utterly unfair.

We bid on the new battle-cruisers
sums which Navy department experts,
after examination of our books, found
would yield a profit of less than ten
per cent. We agreed to assume risks
for increased costs of materials and la-
bor, that made it possible that these
contracts might yield no profit what-
ever.

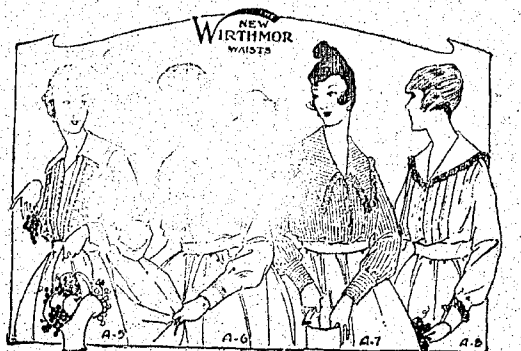
The costs run beyond the amount ap-
propriated by Congress on the basis of
the cost estimates made a year ago.
And because shipbuilders could not
alter the inexorable cost facts and re-
duce bids to early estimates of the
Navy Department, the prices are called
"exorbitant."

It would be a real advantage to be
relieved of this naval construction. The
profit from it cannot possibly amount
to much, and the responsibility is enor-
mous.

We have determined to make this
offer to the American Government.
"If you will build two of the battle-
cruisers in Government navy yards,
we will build the other two at the as-
certained cost of building the ships in
the Government yards, without addi-
tional expense or commissions of any
kind. We will also contract to have
our ships ready for service ahead of
the Government ships."

Bad Habits.

Those who breakfast at eight o'clock
or later, lunch at twelve and have din-
ner at six are almost certain to be
troubled with indigestion. They do
not allow time for one meal to digest
before taking another. Not less than
five hours should elapse between
meals. If you are troubled with in-
digestion correct your habits and take
Chamberlain's Tablets, and you may
reasonably hope for a quick recovery.
These tablets strengthen the stomach
and enable it to perform its functions
naturally. Obtainable everywhere.



New Wirthmor Waists \$1⁰⁰

Among the many things that commends these
exceptional Waists is their absolute newness of
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styles are always neat—attractive and appeal-
ing—in fact so very appealing that the Waists
never remain in our store but for a very brief
time. This new allotment contains some ex-
ceedingly charming styles—quite as pretty we
think as any we have ever seen—and that
they'll sell most readily is a foregone conclusion.

Economies in manufacture and sale have off-set the
rise in material costs—and although these desir-
able Waists are still priced at \$1.00 the high
standard of quality has been maintained

SOLD HERE EXCLUSIVELY

We are showing our new line of Party Pumps
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other paint of equal cost. It lasts



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Do not wait but send in your orders for some of
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the best that ever came to Grayling. Phone 25.

H. Petersen, GROCER

FRANK TALKS

To the Ladies

A few ladies' street suits left, in greens, blues and blacks, fur trimmed, latest styles, worth \$22.00 to \$28.00 and will be sold at a discount of over 25 per cent. Call and examine same.

Ladies are all taking advantage of the sample lot bought at 33 1/2 per cent. This positively beats all sales. They are being sold at a big discount and will be until closed out. They consist of muslin corset covers, night gowns, drawers, white aprons, under skirts, outing night gowns, petticoats, children's pajamas and rompers.

Party pumps at \$4.00, in black, gray and Havana brown kid.

To the Men

Having taken advantage in putting in a full line of men's rubbers in bright and dull finish. Although they have advanced I am able to sell them at the old price.

My shoe trade has been gradually increasing each year. The reason is I fit the feet not the head. This makes it lasting. Once fitted you will always ask for the last that fits you.

Advanced styles for spring in men's green, blue, brown and black velvet hats, and other qualities. No trouble to show them. Also the new book of samples of clothing. Have your measure taken. No fit, no pay.

A reduction of 25 per cent off on Party Gowns for ten days only

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Crawford Avalanche

O. P. Schumann, Editor and Proprietor.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 25

YOUR BOY'S CHUM

If you are a father, are you acquainted with your boy's chum? Do you know him to be fit company for your son?

Every normal boy has singled out from his friends and acquaintances one particular chum. This chum is his "other self," all of the "other self," he will have until years of maturity develop in him the sex attraction.

If you have studied boy nature, or even if you can recall your own boyhood days, you must know that they are the days wherein the lasting impressions of life are formed. It is also the period when the domination of a strong personality is most potent for good or evil over a weaker or more plastic nature.

Have you studied your boy's chum? It may be almost as necessary as a study of the boy himself. Is that chum all you could wish him to be? Is he stronger, or weaker, of purpose and character than your boy? If stronger, all the more reason for you to know his real character for he is as sure to impress his personality upon your son as that strength overcomes weakness.

The boy rarely develops habits or traits of character acquired from mere chance acquaintances or from strangers. It is from his intimates that he absorbs ideas that become fixed in the mind and develop into character. Hence the imperative necessity that those intimates be of right character. Some think it is a risky business to attempt to regulate a son's friendships. Admittedly so, yet you have it in your power to in a large degree control the matter.

Every normal boy has great respect for his father, provided that father is deserving of his respect. The first step, therefore, is to secure and deserve the boy's confidence. This accomplished, a little tactful consideration on your part, together with a personal interest in his every day life, ought to give you control of the situation.

But the surest way to control the matter is to constitute yourself the boy's chum. This can be done if the matter is taken in hand early in the boy's life.

To every young boy his father is a model of perfection. His first boyish ambition is to imitate father. If that father is deserving of imitation and will cultivate his boy's confidence, the problem is solved.

Every father should seek first place in his boy's confidence. He should make certain that he stands higher in the boy's regard than all others. And as the years pass he should see to it that the bond is strengthened instead of weakened. But this can only be done by fully entering into the life of the boy and by making his life your life.

It will pay better than any other investment you can make.

How Old Will You Be At Fifty?

Will you be 50 years old or 50 years young? Kidney troubles make many a young old. When really they should be young. Don't be one of the old. Take a kidney tablet as you would a cathartic. Dr. Noyes' kidney tablets are best, 50c at your druggist, A. M. Lewis.

School Notes

Basketball Friday night.

Semester examinations next week.

Miss Pearsall was unable to meet her classes last Tuesday because of illness.

"Lobe, Rag and Vixen" is being read for morning exercises in the 4th grade.

Reviews are in progress in most of the high school classes preparatory for the semester examinations.

The Kalkaska boys and girls are to compete with our high school basketball teams on the home floor this week Friday evening. The members of our girls' team will serve coffee and sandwiches after the games for the purpose of raising some money for the purchase of suits.

The 4 B class are studying rainfall and some experiments were performed Tuesday afternoon, illustrating the process of evaporation and condensation.

It is expected that at the beginning of next semester the South side school will have more pupils enrolled than the two rooms can accommodate. Some will have to be transferred to the High school building. Pupils having the best standings in their respective grades and whose parents are willing that they should be transferred are the ones that will be chosen.

All beginners in the first grade should be ready to enter school at the beginning of the second semester, Monday morning, Feb. 5. No other classes will be organized for beginners until next September.

"Teachers are the servants of the people," not the bosses. The public puts into our hands, this confidence, the care of the most precious earthly gems. Heaven help us to be worthy!"

Last Thursday after school the 7 A class took advantage of the fine sleighing and invited a number of their friends to accompany them on a short ride. They afterwards returned to the gymnasium for games and supper.

The entertainment given by the Keuhn Concert Co., last Friday evening did not have the attendance that such an attraction should draw owing to the numerous other activities in town at that time. Each member of the company is most certainly an accomplished musician and every number rendered was first class and was well received by the appreciative audience. It is said to be one of the best musical attractions given in Grayling for some time.

A class in trigonometry will be organized next semester. It will probably be the first time that the subject has been taught in our High school. Trigonometry deals principally with the triangle. It forms the basis of mensuration used in surveying, engineering, mechanics and astronomy. It is especially helpful to students in some of their college courses. Mr. Eliaworth is to be the instructor.

The Mothers' club thru the generosity of our Board of education, business men and citizens have succeeded in raising a fine sum of money which is being expended in the purchase of plates, cups, spoons, a commodious cupboard, a fine 3-burner oil stove, dishpans and other kitchen utensils. These are not for the use of the Mothers' club alone but are also for the use of any class or other organization that serves refreshments at the school building on any occasion. No rent is to be charged, but every dish damaged

or broken must be replaced. No dishes, under any circumstances, are to be taken from the building. This is another step in the right direction and will assist much in making our school, as it properly should be, the real social center of the community. The ladies of the Mothers' club wish to thank the contributors for their generous help in this worthy cause.

On Saturday evening, Feb. 3, there will be two important functions. Prof. C. O. Davis of the University of Michigan will give a lecture on "Adolescence" in the school auditorium, under the auspices of the Mothers' club. This will be followed by a basketball game in the gymnasium between our High school boys and the Cadillac High school boys. The lecture will be free. These two functions come on the same date because Prof. Davis changed the date of his lecture after the basketball game had been contracted for.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend to our friends sincere thanks and appreciation for their kind efforts and floral contributions extended to us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father.

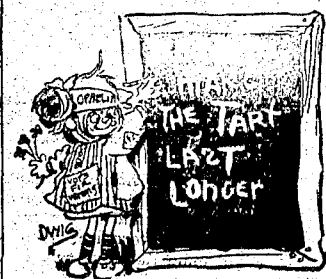
Mrs. F. A. Hennessy and family

OH! MY BACK!

The Expression of Many a Kidney Sufferer in Grayling.

A stubborn backache is cause to suspect kidney trouble. When the kidneys are inflamed and swollen, stooping brings a sharp twinge in the small of the back, that almost takes the breath away. Doan's Kidney Pills revive sluggish kidneys—relieve aching backs. Here's Grayling proof: T. Brisboe, yard master, M. C. R. R. Spruce St., Grayling, says: "About nine years ago, I was troubled considerably with my back and kidneys. My back was the worst source of complaint. The small of it ached constantly and was always sore and lame. I had often heard about Doan's Kidney Pills and tried a box. They helped me and I continued taking them until cured. I have never had any such complaints since."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that cured Mr. Brisboe. Foster-McBarn Co., Props., Buffalo, N.Y. adv.



How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken by catarrh sufferers for a half-century and has been known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces, expelling the poison from the blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Medicine for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Medicine at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Wife of War Secretary To Aid Woman Suffrage

Mrs. Newton D. Baker, wife of the secretary of war, who recently announced her intention to lobby for the federal amendment for woman suffrage, will be joined in her endeavors by Mrs. William Jennings Bryan and Mrs. David Houston, wife of the secretary of agriculture.

Since their marriage, fourteen years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Baker have lived in



Photo by American Press Association.
MRS. NEWTON D. BAKER.

Cleveland, where Mrs. Baker was active in social betterment work. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Wells Leopold, and she is a daughter of Howard Leopold of Pottstown, Pa. She is a talented soprano singer and pianist and prior to her wedding was for several years instructor in music at Wilson college, Chambersburg, Pa., of which she is a graduate. The Bakers have three children—Bett, ten years old; Jack, nine, and Margaret, four.

Wise Observations

If dirt is a sign of health some people will live to a good old age. Electric lights are a fine thing, but a baby in the home will brighten it far better.

If you answer a letter when you are angry you're bound to be sorry. Take time to cool off.

Don't live beyond your means. You'll feel better in a cotton dress that is paid for than in a silk whose price is staring you in the face.

Some people will pay more than a thing is worth simply because their merchant has advertised a sale, and that spells a bargain to them.

Mother's Doll Story

The Snow Fort

A little boy, Bobbie, once went to play in the snow.

"Come on, Sport!" he called to his toy puppy dog, Fido.

So Fido wagged his flannel tail and barked a woollen bark that made the nursery seem just like a zoo.

Then Bobbie stuffed him in a big overcoat pocket, and off they ran to have fun.

Great soft white flakes kept falling all the yard was full of them. Soon Bobbie tossed Fido right into a snow-bank, and Fido barked and growled with glee. Bobbie ran for the big snow shovel, and when he dragged it over the garden paths Fido sat down on it and had a lovely ride.

"Let's make a snow fort!" shouted Bobbie.

So Fido scratched and clawed in the snow, and Bobbie shoveled with all his might till they had a big pile of snow heaped up almost as high as they were.

"You be the enemy, Fido!" cried Bobbie.

So Fido ran around on the other side and barked and growled some more. And Bobbie threw snowballs at him till his flannel sides were all wet with what melted. Then the sun went down, and Bobbie put Fido in his pocket again and trudged into the house.

Hunt the Whistle.

A whistle with a string attached to it is fastened to the back of one of the company secretly and without his knowledge. He is shown another whistle and is told the game is that he must find who has the whistle. The players now gather around him. When his back is turned some one behind him grasps the whistle, blows it and drops it quickly. When he turns around some one behind him blows the whistle. So he is kept turning and turning around and around in hope of finding the whistle which he supposes to be passing from hand to hand around the circle. —Happyland.

'Rithmetic.

Study early, study late! That's the way to cultivate Knowledge with a great big K. Education's gained that way.

'Rithmetic takes things away. Gives 'em back to you some day. How many pieces in a pie? Divide, subtract and multiply.

Cut an apple into four. Then there won't be any core. Somehow I don't think it's right. A fellow never gets a bite. —Philadelphia Record.

Notice.

We are making a special \$1.75 offer of a year's subscription to the Avalanche and to four standard magazines. This offer is open to all new or old subscribers. By subscribing to The Avalanche now you get \$1.35 worth of magazines for only 25c extra. The magazines are all high class and will make a valuable addition to the library of any home. We want to call your attention also to the free dress pattern that is given to each subscriber.

For Winter Street Wear

The hether mixture sport suit here, with illustrated is featured in green, brown and oxford. The skirt just touches the shoe tops, and the coat is ornamented with patch pockets fasten-



SMART SPORT SUIT.

ed with buttons. The front is made full and fastened with a single row of bone or fancy buttons. The novelty collar is high and buttons closely about the neck. The belt is at the natural waist line and is made of the same material. A velours sport hat is appropriate with this costume. Design by Franklin Simon & Co., New York.

AUCTIONEER

As I am permanently located I am ready to take up this business in this locality and solicit your patronage along this line. Call on or write me for terms and dates. Address: A. Ellis, Roscommon, Mich., R. R. 1 Box 94. 11-4

Bethlehem's Bid on Shells for the United States Navy

To the American People:

The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over \$3,000,000 to a British bidder for 14 and 16-inch shells for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders.

We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made, but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work.

Two years ago we took contracts to make 4,200 14-inch shells at a price of \$1,515,000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government, although we have expended in wages, materials, etc., on these orders \$522,801, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts.

In addition, a literal interpretation of the contract might make us liable for penalties amounting to \$618,016.

In the light of our experience, and having no other basis, we bid for 16-inch shells approximately the same rate per pound as that which the Navy Department actually awarded a 14-inch shell contract one year ago.

Bethlehem Steel Company

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Every sack is guaranteed to give satisfaction or you get your money back. It will pay you to lay in a supply at present prices.

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BAKING BREAD a PLEASURE with HO-MAYDE BREAD IMPROVER

There is a joy in every loaf of "Ho-Mayde Bread." Careful housewives who want to save when bakers' bread is high, add a teaspoonful of HO-MAYDE BREAD IMPROVER to the water in which the yeast is dissolved. The result is most gratifying—larger loaves of whiter and sweeter bread. A wholesome product. It accelerates yeast action so that the time of bread making is reduced to about four hours. HO-MAYDE prevents failures—no sour or chilled bread—more loaves from the same materials. If your grocer cannot supply you, send 15c for a large package. Write for free sample. HO-MAYDE PRODUCTS CO., Detroit, Mich.

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Have You?

It is not our intention to be impertinent or unduly inquisitive. Nor do we suggest you have been careless about business or social affairs.

Our curiosity has just naturally gotten the best of us, so we ask, have you started using Lily White Flour?

Presume you have, at least so many good cooks have used

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"The Flour the Best Cooks Use"

this fall that we have been literally "snowed-under" with orders.

And the best of it all is, the new friends, like the old, say Lily White is a wonderful flour; the best they ever used.

If we guessed wrong and you really haven't tried Lily White, it is a good time to start now.

Your dealer is authorized to return your money if you do not like Lily White flour better for both bread and pastry baking than any flour you ever used.

VALLEY CITY MILLING CO.,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

RAIDER DESTROYS ALLIED VESSELS

MORE THAN A SCORE OF SHIPS WITH CARGOES OF MUNITIONS AND FOOD DESTROYED.

ELUDED BRITISH PATROL

Survivors Landed in South American Port Give News of Exploits to World.

New York—The greatest German commerce destroying raid of the war, in which at least 21 ships and possibly a score more were destroyed with their cargoes of munitions and food for the allies, is revealed in reports from Pernambuco, telling of the landing of 237 survivors of destroyed ships, and a British admiralty statement, listing 10 ships sunk and 2 captured by the raider.

These two ships are believed to have been converted into raiders.

Included in the list of destroyed ships are the names of the *Voltaire* and *Georgic*, long overdue, the latter one of the biggest freight-carrying ships in the world.

The Teutonic commerce destroyer, believed to be the protected cruiser *Vineta*, probably eluded British patrols around Germany and swept from north to south across every transatlantic ocean steamship pathway.

Some of the survivors of ships sunk by the raider, landed at Pernambuco, had been aboard the raider 23 days, indicating that the raider must have been operating for at least four weeks.

The total tonnage of ships reported sunk or captured by the German raider is 94,736 tons, exclusive of some of the ships which are not listed by Lloyd's.

The *Vineta*, mentioned in Buenos Aires dispatches as being the German raider which has proved so successfully on allied commerce in north and south Atlantic waters, is a German protected cruiser, last listed as in training service.

The *Vineta* is the 1895 class and was completed in 1897. She displaces 5,335 tons and carries a crew of 465 men. Her length is 344 1/2 feet and her draft 23 feet.

OSBORN GOES TO PRISON

Not As Criminal But for Purposes of Investigation.

Portsmouth, N. H.—Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing, began a term of imprisonment as a part of a practical investigation of the naval prison here. He is investigating the prison at the request of Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

He donned a prison suit and became under the name of "Tom Brown" a naval prisoner. He went through the registration formalities on the prison ship *Southerly*, but was transferred to the naval prison, where for ten days he will live the life of a prisoner.

Mr. Osborne was accompanied by Professor John McCormick, professor of political science at Bowdoin college, and by Harry Bolinsky. The latter registered under his own name. Professor McCormick has become "John Austin" for a time.

All three arrived at the prison ship in charge of a master at arms. They were clad in citizens' clothes, but after Chief Boatwain Hill, U. S. N., had entered their names on the prison ship books, they received the regulation prison suits of gray.

MICHIGAN STOCK VALUABLE

State Live Stock Sanitary Commission Submits Report.

Lansing—Michigan live stock is valued at \$180,000,000, according to H. H. Halliday, president of the state live stock sanitary commission, who has compiled statistics showing that the number of horses owned in the state is 680,000, mules 4,000, milk cows 847,000, other cattle 735,000, sheep 1,937,000 and hogs 1,562,000.

President Halliday says the expense of the live stock commission last year was \$14,998.73. Added to this is the appropriations on cattle amounting to \$30,562.50.

President Halliday estimates that during the last year 50,000 cattle and 900,000 sheep were brought into Michigan for feeding.

WAR TRAINING FOR U. OF M.

Over One Hundred Students Signed Up for Course.

Ann Arbor—The University of Michigan is to have military training after more than 50 years in which the question has been discussed, forgotten and discussed again.

The board of regents authorized President H. B. Hutchins to make application immediately to the secretary of war for the detail of a United States army officer, to take the chair of military science in the university.

The secretary of war had already notified the regents that such detail would be made provided a hundred or more university students would sign up for such a course. On the paper presented to the regents were signatures of 96 engineering students, 28 literary, 2 medical and 1 student from the graduate school.

When a fox broke his chain and got out of the exhibition cage at the armory, Pontiac, where he was one of the attractions of the Eastern Michigan poultry show, there was general alarm and rushing to protect prize-winning birds.

Washington—Because of the increase the cost of labor and material since the 1917 army budget was made up at the last session, Secretary Baker has submitted to the house a deficiency estimate of \$1,785,000 for ordnance stores and supplies.

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FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR SICK CHILD

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver and bowels.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs" that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If coated, "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When this little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleaning" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Adv.

To Make Dirty Water Clean.

When we started for our trip to Mt. Kilimanjaro I had told Jeremiah, one of our African boys, to fix six barrels with water and have it clean. But when I opened the first barrel, it was covered with soap suds. I asked the boy what was wrong with the water. He said: "Very clean water, master. I put soap in every barrel to make it clean." So we drank soap suds all the way.—Peter MacQueen in World Outlook.

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.

A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Barbo Compound, 1 oz. Barbo Compound, and 1/2 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up for you or mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

A Pertinent Query.

"Can't you spare me a dime, mister?" "Not today."
"Hain't had a bite since yesterday."
"Can't help you do a little for me?" "I haven't any change."
"No change?"
"That's what I said."
"Den why ther dickens don't yer go to work?"—Boston Evening Transcript.

OLD SORES, ULCERS AND ECZEMA VANISH

Good, Old, Reliable Peterson's Ointment a Favorite Remedy.

"Had 51 ulcers on my legs. Doctors wanted to cut off leg. Peterson's Ointment cured me."—Wm. J. Nichols, 40 Wilder St., Rochester, N. Y.

Get a large box for 25 cents at any druggist, says Peterson, and money back if it isn't the best you ever used. Always keep Peterson's Ointment in the house. Fine for burns, scalds, bruises, sunburn, and the most remedy for itching eczema and piles the world has ever known.

"Peterson's Ointment is the best for bleeding and itching piles I have ever found."—Major Charles E. Whitney, Vineyard Haven, Mass.

"Peterson's Ointment has given great satisfaction for Salt Rheum."—Mrs. J. L. Weiss, Cuyahville, N. Y.

All druggists sell it, recommend it. Adv.

Proving His Mettle.

"The trouble with you, Gadsbur, is that you are too easily discouraged," remarked his friend, Githers.
"I don't think so," answered Gadsbur. "For instance, yesterday I wanted to borrow the small sum of ten dollars."
"Yes?"
"I delivered a neat little speech to exactly twelve people before I got the money. That strikes me as extraordinary perseverance."

GAVE HIS CANE AWAY!

Mr. S. P. Benton, Kerrville, Texas, writes: "For several years prior to 1906 I suffered from kidney and rheumatic troubles. Was bent over and forced to use a cane. For these disorders I am glad to say I used DODD'S Kidney Pills, which proved to be the proper remedy. I am 64 years old, feel fine and once again stand as straight as an arrow. Dodd's Kidney Pills deserve great credit." Be sure and get "DODD'S," the name with the three D's for diseased, disordered, deranged kidneys; just as Mr. Benton did. No similarly named article will do.—Adv.

Second Choice.

"I'm writing a story for one of the leading magazines," remarked Scribner, with a lofty air.
"Indeed?" replied his caustic friend. "And which one of the inferior magazines do you think will publish it?"

An Object of Pity.

Mrs. Homer—Our new cook can't read a word of English.
Mrs. Neighbors—What! Not even the bargain advertisements?

Constipation, indigestion, sick-headache and bilious conditions are overcome by a course of Garfield Tea. Drink on retiring.—Adv.

Miss Dora Falkin, who is only twenty-one years of age, practices law in Washington, D. C.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original little liver pills put up 40 years ago. They regulate liver and bowels.—Adv.

Coal miners in Georgia have received 10 per cent increase in pay.

LETTER FROM STATE CAPITOL

OCEANA SOLON WANTS STATE TO UTILIZE FEDERAL AID FOR BUILDING GOOD ROADS.

SALARY RAISES PROPOSED

Bill Introduced to Permit Each County to Say When It Wanted Closed Seasons On Game or Fish.

(By W. L. CALNON.)

Lansing—Senator James C. Wood, of Manistique, believes he has found the way to rid the legislature of the mass of small game and fish bills that appear regularly at every session and which in reality are special acts, applying to only some small section, or single stream or lake. His idea, which will be presented to the present legislature in a bill, would strengthen the game warden's department and put the administration of the game and fish laws more firmly in the hands of the game warden.

Senator Wood declares that many of the fish bills, which relate to closed seasons in one stream or another or in one lake or another, really belong under one general head and with the use of a little common sense could be administered by the game department in one general way. Spawning seasons are weeks apart, for instance, as between streams in the southern tier of Michigan counties and those in the upper peninsula. Scores of bills come into the legislature to have particular dates set for particular streams or lakes to procure a closed season covering the spawning period.

Let the game department apply the closed season rules to each and every part of the state according to the spawning time, and care for the whole matter in this way, is Senator Wood's idea. He also would permit each county to say when it wanted closed seasons on any special kind of game or birds and to so notify the game department. Unless the game and fish laws are wisely administered in some general and responsible way, Senator Wood declares, conservation ideas might as well be forgotten as far as efficient results are concerned, for the game will be wiped out and the fish supply depleted.

New Bills Introduced.

One of the most important bills introduced was Representative Thomas Read's, of Oceana county, to take advantage of the federal government's aid in trunk line road building. This bill would appropriate \$225,000 a year for the next two years for trunk line roads, the government to contribute an equal sum. The Read bill proposes a way to raise the state fund according to the size of each county and township contributing.

Under this plan a county which has \$500,000 worth of assessed value for each mile of trunk line road will pay 50 per cent of the amount of state aid on its trunk line roads and the percentage to be paid would be graded down to 25 per cent in the case of counties having only \$100,000 of assessed valuation for each mile of trunk line road.

Representative George Leland, of Allegan county, has presented a bill to standardize Michigan apples that are packed for shipment to market. The bill prescribes four classes of apples: Michigan standard fancy; standard A; standard B; and ungraded. Packers would have to brand their shipments according to their class and stamp their names and addresses on the outside of the package also. The state dairy and food department would be provided for violations.

A bill to appropriate \$10,000 for the use of the state board of agriculture to find the causes of contagious diseases among bees and suppress the diseases was introduced by Representative A. E. Petermann, of Houghton, by request. Some of the members thought the bill was a joke, intended to "ting" some one, but others insisted that there is danger of bees being wiped out entirely because of foul brood unless something is done. Anyway, the bill went to committee for consideration.

Representative Wells, of Cass county, wants all private banks put under the supervision of the state banking department and compelled to give bonds. A request to print his bill is before the committee on printing. Representative Glaspe, of Oakland, asks in a bill that the annual financial statement and proceedings of the annual meetings of all graded school districts be published in the newspapers.

A standard tread for draft sleighs of four feet, eight inches between runners of not more than two inches breadth, is sought by Representative Ewing, of Marquette. His bill would prohibit under penalty the use of sleighs of any other tread on any public highway in the state outside cities and villages.

An effort to repeal the so-called anti-discrimination act passed at the last session and affecting fire insurance rates; a proposal to have the state handle health insurance as "social insurance"; the granting to fraternal societies of the right to insure children of their members; a proposal to tax several values of life policies and tax other insurance matters of equal importance are said to be sure to appear soon. Should they do so, insurance legislation debates are in a fair way to run second in interest to the proposed prohibition legislation.

Representative Dapporto has introduced bills to compel the publication in full in the papers in every county of the state, proposed amendments to the constitution 30 and 15 days before they are voted upon. He also would have proposed amendments all printed on one ballot.

Sentiment among members of the legislature appears to be fairly evenly divided prior to the actual debates on the subject of whether to allow any importations at all for beverage purposes.

The first joint resolution reported out of committee to the house is Representative Croll's proposal to amend the constitution so that drainage districts may be bonded to pay for the expense of drains. The first senate bill reported out of committee is that to provide an \$800,000 state office building to house the numerous state department offices now in privately rented buildings around Lansing. The house has had reported out favorably the bill to permit the public domain commission to sell for one dollar a block of primary school land in Lansing to the board of state auditors, on which it is proposed to erect the office building. In this connection, Senator Lyman J. Holmes, of Macomb county, has a bill ready to appropriate \$50,000 for a governor's residence in Lansing.

A memorial to the Michigan regents which fought in the battle of Shiloh in the Civil war is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Robinson for a commission to be named by the governor to select a design. The bill carries an appropriation of \$4,500.

Representative Charles Flowers, of Detroit, has introduced a bill to raise the salaries of justices of the supreme court from \$7,000 a year to \$12,000 a year. Representative Thomas Read has introduced another to provide five additional employees in the state treasurer's office at salaries ranging from \$1,200 to \$1,800. A constitutional amendment is in prospect to raise the salaries of those state officers whose salaries are stipulated in the constitution. Other salary raise bills also are being talked of, advocates of them charging that Michigan pays its employees poorly in comparison with other states and that the increased living costs make increases more than ever needed now. Many members are not in favor of salary raises, however, and it looks as though any one who gets them allowed will have to prove very conclusively the need of them before the house will adopt the necessary bills.

Two bills to give Detroit and Wayne county more circuit judges have been introduced in the house. One asks for twelve judges and the other for ten. At present there are six Wayne judges, others being "borrowed" from outside circuits to help keep the court calendars cleared up. Both bills leave the appointment of the extra judges to all the places created by them, to the governor.

Unlawful discrimination in the purchase of wheat, oats, corn, rye, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes by those who resell or use in manufacture will be costly if a bill presented by Representative Quintel, of Bay, is passed. The bill is aimed at those who attempt to obtain a monopoly or to injure a competitor by paying higher prices in one section of the state than in another and provides \$500 fine or six month sentences for those found guilty of such actions.

While much insurance legislation is being proposed in reports of what is apt to come before the legislature in the line of big matters, bills to cover the proposed objects are coming in very slowly. In fact the first three weeks of the session saw only one minor bill affecting insurance. That would exempt from taxation the realty of any sick or accident benefit society that pays \$3 a week benefits.

No one seems disposed to be in a rush to put in prohibition bills, the Anti-Saloon measure prepared by the league's attorneys being given first chance by common consent to outline what laws are needed. The league leaders have taken the position that so-called "bone dry" laws are not safe to enact, but that the laws should be so stringent that individuals could not legally possess more than a pint of whiskey a month; a gallon of wine or three gallons of beer.

Monthly publication of the balances of county treasurers will be required if a bill presented by Representative Ezra S. Hall, of Missaukee county, is adopted. Representative Clarence J. Reed, of Jackson county, wants members of township boards of review paid like other township officers on the basis of actual days' work done by them.

Representative Eaton, of Saginaw, former prosecutor of his county, has put in a bill to create the office of "public defender." He would have the defender a county officer, elected as the prosecuting attorney is, who will give his services to the indigent, to minors and to incompetents. He also would advise persons arrested who have no attorneys and who ordinarily would see none until the courts named them to act. Representative Eaton also introduced a bill to provide compensation as high as \$5,000 for persons erroneously convicted of crimes and sentenced to prison.

Representative Weissert wants the state to establish two more fish hatcheries, one at Hastings and the other somewhere in the upper peninsula, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 each.

Appropriations Asked.

The following appropriations have been asked in new house bills:

Central Normal school: \$115,365 a year maintenance; \$23,350 for athletic field and gymnasium; \$65,000 for enlarging school in 1919.

Newberry state hospital: \$164,730 for new buildings.

Kalamazoo state hospital: \$113,201 for building and special purposes.

Pontiac state hospital: \$90,500 for new buildings.

Industrial Home for Girls: \$104,000 a year maintenance; \$65,376 for land, new cottage, and improvements.

School for the Deaf: \$117,115 a year maintenance; \$93,785 for new building and other improvements.

Ionia state hospital: \$19,725 for new equipment.

State Normal College: \$250,000 in 1918; \$245,000 in 1919 for maintenance and \$10,000 for special purposes.

State Public school: \$130,322 a year maintenance; \$29,658 for improvements and special purposes.

DRUGGISTS PRAISE DR. KILMER'S SWAMP-ROOT

Customers Always Satisfied With Results

We have been handling Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root for several years and we are not afraid to recommend it for the diseases which it is intended for curing. I have been tested it and proved its value. Every user of Swamp-Root is a satisfied customer and they have great faith in the remedy and recommend it.

Very truly yours,
LONGYEAR BROS., Druggists,
Mason, Michigan, Oct. 8, 1916.

According to the statements received from my customers who have used Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root you certainly have a preparation of great merit. I have been handling it for fourteen years and have the first complaint to receive from its users. It has done what is claimed for it and that is all that can be expected of any remedy.

Very truly yours,
WM. F. LUTZ, Druggist,
Cheesaning, Michigan, Oct. 8, 1916.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You

Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention this paper. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.



Puts a ... Distemper CURES THE SICK

And prevents others having the disease no matter how exposed. 50 cents and \$1.00 bottles, 5 and \$10 a dozen bottles. All good druggists and first-class stores.

SPOHN MEDICAL CO., Chemists and Bacteriologists, Goshen, Ind., U. S. A.

Books in Prison.

Prison literature has many fine productions to its credit in prose as well as poetry. In his prison at Athens, Greece completed his great argument for immortality in a Roman dungeon Gallienus made some of his greatest discoveries. In his prison in Wartburg castle Luther translated the New Testament into the German language. During his twelve years in Bedford jail Bunyan dreamed his immortal dream of the "Pilgrim's Progress." Sir Walter Raleigh wrote his fragmentary history of the world to beguile the long years of his imprisonment in the Tower of London. Much of the New Testament also is prison literature. Some of the finest of the epistles of St. Paul were written during his imprisonment at Rome, and the Book of the Revelation of St. John was written while he was an exile on the island prison of Patmos.—London Chronicle.

Didn't Need It.

The farm hands were taking turns at the pump for their morning wash. All scrubbed off except the new man. "Foe," said the boss, "aren't you going to wash up this morning?" "Shucks!" was the reply. "It don't make me dirty to sleep."—Pathfinder.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, Laxative Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Quinine Quinine." E. W. GROVES, Sole Importers for each port.

Of the 38,167,336 gainfully occupied persons in the United States, 8,075,772, or 21.1 per cent, are women.

Constipation can be cured without drugs. Nature's own remedy—selected herbs—in Garfield Tea.—Adv.

British women are taking up the culture of herbs.

GIRLS! GIRLS! TRY IT, BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR

Make It Thick, Glossy, Wavy, Luxuriant and Remove Dandruff—Real Surprise for You.

Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a "Dandergine hair cleanse." Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Dandergine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt and excessive oil and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair.

Besides beautifying the hair at once, Dandergine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp, forever stopping itching and falling hair.

But what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use when you will actually see new hair—fine and downy at first—yet really new hair—growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair and lots of it, surely get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Dandergine from any store and just try it. Adv.

Fallen in His Estimation.

Mrs. Flatbush—Did you say your husband used to like the ice and snow? Mrs. Bensonhurst—Oh, yes.
"Well, I saw him today, and he seemed to be down on it."

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch* In Use for Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

St. Peter's cathedral in Rome will accommodate 54,000 people.

TO LIVE LONG!

A recipe given by a famous physician for long life was: "Keep the kidneys in good order." Try to eliminate thru the skin and intestines the poisons that otherwise clog the kidneys. Avoid eating meat as much as possible; avoid



THE MAN FROM BITTER ROOTS
WILLIAM FOX PRODUCTION
Grayling Opera House Sunday evening, January 26th.

Inspiration Miscellany

A Word to the Business Girl

Comparatively few out of all the herds of girls working for their living know the value of a silent tongue. Almost all girls talk too much, and they are just the same in business as in society. The silent woman is one of the rarest treasures on earth. But where a really prattling tongue is often attractive in a girl who lives and moves in the social world, lending animation and vivacity, it is a menace in the working girl—a menace to her own best interests and a menace to her firm's secrets.

All too often her own tongue is the worker's worst enemy. It may be the only thing that stands between her and advancement. But a prattling tongue is quite enough to ruin any girl's career in business. What the heads of most big concerns require first in their employees is efficiency and a silent tongue.

Very often a girl who is not so capable as her fellow workers is advanced over their heads to a position of real importance simply because her employers can see that out of the whole crowd she is the only one who knows how to hold her tongue. And no man wants to have a girl taking down his business correspondence and overbearing all the confidential interviews with other men unless he feels confident that she will say nothing of it outside.

—New York Telegram.

Success in the Man Business.

In business it is not the individual producer who gets the biggest or the surest rewards. It is the organization builder. And any man, no matter how small his business, ought to recognize that fact. Unless an employer is interested in finding, training, holding and dividing with good men his business

can never grow. It will remain the work of one man, and the work of one man is certain to be limited in size and profits. You may think that you are in the shoe business or the shirt business or the furniture business, but you are mistaken. After all is said and done, we are all in the same business—the man business—no matter what we make or sell.—Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

The Value of Thrift

To be thrifty does not mean to be stingy. It means taking good care not to waste or mispend what one has. It means not wasting things, large or small. Saving many small things makes a great difference in what you possess. No man is so rich that he is warranted in being wasteful. If he has more than enough for his own needs there are plenty of ways in which he may use the surplus for general benefit.

The thrifty man does not spend without thought. He will never spend more than that which is his own. The thrifty man avoids debt. The thrifty man has something ahead, so that when necessity demands there is something to fill the need. Thrift gives content in the present. It does away with many worries. It gives promise of future safety. From saving comes having.—Milwaukee Journal.

In Joy and Sorrow.
An oriental ruler once summoned his wise man and said to him: "Tell me something that will moderate my joys and sorrows." And the wise man made answer and said: "In the tumult of thy joys and in the depths of thy sorrows repeat to thyself this truism: 'And even this shall pass away.'"

Fighting Evil.
The most truly religious thing that a man can do is to fight his way through habits and deficiencies and back to pure, manlike elements of his nature, which are the ineffaceable traces of the divine workmanship and alone really worth fighting for.—Wells.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Local News

Basketball Friday night.

For sale—My retail coal business. J. M. Bunting.
Joe Kraus was on the sick list first of the week, on account of a gripe. Autos painted, cleaned or polished. We will make them look like new.
Conrad Sorenson, Phone 613.
Mrs. Glen Robinson and little daughter, Camilla of Michelson are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Ed. Sorenson.

Among others mentioned as visiting the Auto show at Detroit are Fred Welsh, Charles Bingham and S. S. Phelps.

Frank Getz of Brown City, is visiting his sons Sanford Getz and A. M. Lewis. While here he is doing some remodeling of the rooms at the Lewis home.

Mr. and Mrs. Nemesis Nielsen expect to leave for Chicago next Monday, where they will spend the week and possibly the remainder of the winter.

Miss Christine Peterson of Deford, Michigan has been spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hemming Peterson, who reside near Frederic.

At the annual meeting of the Grayling Hotel company last week it was decided to enlarge the building. A committee has been appointed to make arrangements.

St. Mary's church have had a direct indirect lighting system installed. The lights are in large inverted bowls that are suspended from the ceiling by chains. All were donated.

M. A. Bates and Marius Hanson left Tuesday afternoon to be in attendance at the annual meeting and banquet of the Northeastern Development bureau held in Bay City yesterday.

George Hodge purchased a new Ford auto of George Burke, the local dealer, yesterday. Mr. Burke says that this makes just thirty cars sold so far this year for spring delivery.

Carl Peterson, one of Grayling's best known young men, and Miss Zina Smith, formerly of this city but now of Detroit, were recently quietly married in that city. Best wishes for a happy and prosperous life.

The regular meeting of the M. E. Ladies' Aid society will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Christenson next week, Friday afternoon Feb. 2. Mrs. Nelson Corwin and Mrs. P. G. Zalsman will assist her in entertaining.

Mrs. Irene Scrafton of Gladwin, arrived yesterday for a few weeks' visit with her sister Mrs. Charles A. Caulfield. She is visiting her cousin Mrs. Claude R. Keyport, until Mrs. Caulfield is able to be discharged from Mercy hospital.

The Kalkaska boys and girls are to compete with our high school basketball team on the home floor this week Friday evening. The members of our girls' team will serve coffee and sandwiches after the games for the purpose of raising some money for the purchase of suits.

Adam Clark Bane gave an excellent address Friday night of last week at the M. E. church, his subject being "Fight for Humanity or War Against Liquor." A good sized audience was present and the speaker was well received and loudly applauded. Mr. Bane is treasurer of the League for "National Wide Prohibition."

G. W. Heyl and family arrived here from Detroit yesterday and are packing their household goods preparatory to moving there. Mr. Heyl is employed in the lumber purchasing department for a large ship building company in Detroit. They are offering their house for sale at a very low price. This is located near Dr. Insley's.

A large number of people have taken advantage of our low-price magazine offer and we have added quite a number of new subscribers to our list. We wish to say that the magazines may be late in beginning to arrive but they will eventually come and every subscriber will receive their full year's subscription; this we positively guarantee.
O. P. Schumann.

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson gave a fish dinner at Shoppenagons Inn Thursday evening of last week, to a number of their relatives and friends. After the arrival of the special train to Johannesburg that evening, the company found awaiting them a delicious repast. The fish were caught in Portage lake by Mr. Hanson—three pike weighing 13 pounds each. As may well be expected this was a much enjoyed affair.

Special writeups of some of our business firms have been prepared for the Avalanche by H. C. Taylor of Cadillac, and these will appear next week. Twenty-one of our local firms will be represented and six of Frederic. Should there be any who have been overlooked by Mr. Taylor, a telephone call will be promptly answered. The rates are five cents per line space and not less than twenty lines accepted. If you are not in on this do not wait until it is too late and then be sorry.

The Habit of Taking Cold.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90 degrees F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

Correspondence.

Lovells.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Douglas attended the banquet given Friday night by R. Hanson at Shoppenagons Inn. Paul Feldhauser of Sigbee was a Lovells caller last week and while here enjoyed a meeting with Gleaners.

A very pleasant evening was spent last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isbister, at a pedro party.

The Lovells sewing circle will meet with Mrs. Fred Rase Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Gehl, who has been in a very delicate condition for the past year, found it necessary to return to Saginaw hospital, leaving Monday for that city.

Percy Budd and family are enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. Bowman of Kennebec, Mich. She expects to remain with them the rest of the winter.

T. E. Douglas was a business caller in Grayling Tuesday.

L. W. Decker was a Lovells caller Wednesday.

Miss Lena Masters returned to her home in West Branch, after spending several weeks with her father, Tom Masters and her sister, Mrs. Eddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Orla Shreve was in town Tuesday.

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lyntz announcing the arrival of a young daughter to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Douglas and children were Grayling callers Friday.

R. S. Babbitt, state game warden, was a Lovells caller Friday.

A number of the people have completed the harvesting of their ice for the coming year, exceptionally fine this year; averaging from 12 to 14 inches thick.

E. W. Keuhl of Saginaw spent Sunday at the farm.

Having finished the lumber haul for T. E. Douglas, a number of the men are now busy cutting wood for him.

E. Kellogg left Tuesday for Bay City.

Ray Owen, who has been in Detroit for the winter, returned home last week and expects to remain on the farm the coming year.

Geo. Leykauff with a party of Detroit friends, are enjoying an outing at his cabin.

Carl Kellogg is employed by T. E. Douglas, repairing the autos for the coming season.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Most Effective.

"I have taken a great many bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and every time it has cured me. I have found it most effective for a hacking cough and for colds. After taking it a cough always disappears," writes J. K. Moore, Lost Valley, Ga. Obtainable everywhere.

Eldorado Nuggets.

Mr. and Mrs. William Deeter of Luzerne were Sunday guests of Mrs. George Hartman and daughter, Gertrude.

Mrs. James Williams, who has been suffering the past week with a severe cold, is better.

A very pleasant day was enjoyed by all who attended the meeting of the Mothers' club at the home of Mrs. Wellman Knight last Thursday. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. George Pearsall, Thursday, Feb. 1.

Lewis Pierce of Mio was here one day last week and witnessed a trial of the new attachment for a Ford, called the "Helping Henry," at the Crane farm. He contemplates buying one in the Spring.

James Williams spent the last week at home with his family. In his absence Elmer Head is attending their meat business in Grayling.

The worst storm of the winter, so far, visited us Sunday.

Coy News.

Oliver B. Scott and family spent Saturday evening with James Nolan and family.

Mr. Fenner, who has been holding church at the Maple Grove school house, returned to his home at Onoway Wednesday.

John and Dora Nolan accompanied by Miss Gladys Newton, spent Friday evening with Oliver B. Scott and family.

Miss Dora Nolan and Miss Gladys Newton spent Sunday with Miss Cecile Pearsall.

James Nolan started his lumbering job last Monday.

While starting to the Club meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Wellman Knight several of the ladies had quite a mishap. They discovered they were on the wrong road and in attempting to turn around the sleigh struck a stump and broke every tug of the harness, but nevertheless they used hay-wire and tie-ropes and reached their destination in time to enjoy a fine dinner.

Found a Sure Thing.

I. B. Wixon, Farmers Mills, N. Y., has used Chamberlain's Tablets for years for disorders of the stomach and liver and says, "Chamberlain's Tablets are the best I have ever used." Obtainable everywhere.

Try a package of Dr. Navaun's Kidney tablets. For sale at the A. M. Lewis drug store.

Frederic News.

Worst storm of the season struck Frederic Saturday and continued all day Sunday and Monday. About fourteen inches snow fell on the level. Snow roller was out on the highway for the first time Monday last.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Durmyer a son. Mother and babe doing nicely. Mr. Durmyer is foreman at Camp 12, for Salling, Hanson Co.

The basketball games were lively but too much one-sided to look good, but undoubtedly could not be helped, as each were doing their best to win. Girls: 4 to 17 and boys 10 to 33.—Frederic favors. We enjoy seeing the games, win or lose.

Mrs. H. L. Abraham and sons, Emanuel and Morey returned Tuesday from Detroit, where she has been doctoring with a specialist for Emanuel.

Mrs. Gardner was up and around her home again, but had the misfortune to cut her finger. Blood poison set in and she is having a very severe time again.

Gilbert Cram is not employed, as stated in our last items, in auto works. He is working for the M. C. R. R. as brakeman on a steady run from Toledo to Jackson. Here's hoping he will make good and not meet with an accident.

The ice harvest is on and B. P. Johnson is doing the same. Also cuts for local trade.

On Friday, Jan. 26, Lottie L. Tillotson, Hawaiian entertainer of repute will appear in the M. P. church and give one of her remarkable lectures. She is a world traveler and every one should hear her. Admission 15 and 25 cents. Come and help the church work along.

Mrs. E. V. Barber is on the sick list. Mr. Boyer of Cadillac came over last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Layman, also Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Barber. Mrs. Boyer and family, who have been here for the past three weeks visiting, returned home with him.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. Send money with the order.

FOR SALE—My retail coal business. J. M. Bunting.

FOR RENT—Six room house with full basement. Nearly modern equipment. O. Palmer, Phone 55.

FOR SALE—Nine room house; large lot; located fourth door south of Michigan avenue on Peninsular avenue. A splendid bargain if taken soon at liberal terms. I will be in Grayling all this week and will be glad to get in communication with anyone wanting to buy a home. Also we offer a cook stove and two heating stoves at a bargain. G. W. Heyl.

FOUND—Pocketbook containing money. May be had on proof of ownership. Avalanche office. 123 3.

LOST—A small silk bag containing a piece of crocheted work. Leave at Avalanche office.

WANTED—Tag Alder, will pay highest prices. DuPont Co., Grayling.

WANTED—25 cords of maple block wood, green. Will pay highest market price. Inquire at Avalanche office.

FOR SALE—Baby sleigh, in good condition. Cheap if taken soon. Inquire at Avalanche office.

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